

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION

No. 5:20-CV-359-FL

JAMIE NEIL PARKER, )  
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Plaintiff,            )  
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v.                     )  
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THOMAS H. LOCK, Judge; KRISTEN     )  
BALL; and KARLA BETH DENNING,     )  
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Defendants.            )

ORDER

This matter is before the court upon review of plaintiffs' pro se complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e). United States Magistrate Judge Robert B. Jones, Jr. entered a memorandum and recommendation ("M&R"), pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(b), wherein it is recommended that the court dismiss plaintiff's claims for failure to state a claim and immunity. Plaintiff did not file objections to the M&R, and the time within which to make any objection has expired. In this posture, the matter is ripe for ruling.

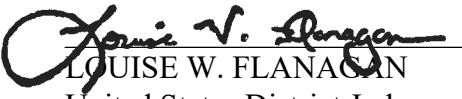
Upon review of the M&R, the court may "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Because no objections have been filed, the court reviews the magistrate judge's findings and conclusions only for clear error, and need not give any explanation for adopting the M&R. Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co., 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005); Camby v. Davis, 718 F.2d 198, 200 (4th Cir. 1983).

Here, the magistrate judge recommends dismissal of plaintiff's claims against defendant

Thomas H. Lock, due to judicial immunity, and defendant Kristen Ball due to sovereign immunity. In addition, the magistrate judge recommends dismissal of plaintiff's claims against defendant Karla Beth Denning for failure to state a claim.

Upon careful review of the M&R and the record in this case, the court finds the magistrate judge's analysis to be thorough, and there is no clear error. The court hereby ADOPTS the recommendation of the magistrate judge as its own, and, for the reasons stated therein, plaintiffs' complaint is DISMISSED. The clerk of court is directed to close the case.

SO ORDERED, this the 15th day of September, 2020.



LOUISE W. FLANAGAN  
United States District Judge